SOME NEW BOOKS.

Sketches From Italy.

Readers of the author's previous ooks will expect entertainment from the two handsome volumes of Italian Yesterdays by Mrs. Hugh Fraser (Dodd. Med and Company). Such readers already know that Mrs. Fraser, the wife of a British diplomatist, is an American by birth, in the sense of being the of American parents temporarily residing abroad," as the statutory phrase goes, being the daughter of the eculator Crawford, whose residence in staly in fact covered the period of artistic activity, which included the blg freegom at the top of the Capitol in Washington and the elaborate and successful Washington monument at Richmond. His daughter, the present author, is the sister of the late Marion Crawford, and thus the niece of Uncle Sam Ward and of Julia Ward Howe. So she comes honestly by her gift of fluent and vivacious writing aiready ex emplified in books which are mainly reminiscences of the wanderings entailed by her husband's profession.

some personal reminiscence in the present volume, which is by no chase of a castle on the Calabrian coast "we Crawfords have never been out wanting it for our own. which was his favorite abode during l kness perched by itself upon th From wandering about the which had but two enormous San Niccola with the key in his pocket, quoted; otherwise only: this to the consternation of his boatad vainly endeavored to dissuade him not necessarily from buying but from at least, of removing her somewhat further buying at the asking price, which Luigi from Johnson's sphere of influence. Ills ec declared was a hundred times the market value. "Alas for the good money! But it was not my fault: there was sassins at the Municipio took advantage The novelist's wife did not geon, without any convenience of life. of course lashed to the battlements of

Mediterranean storm." But this glimpse of reminiscence by no means gives a notion of the staple the contents of the volume. 111deed they are so multifarious that the author avows her difficulty in finding title that would cover them all. For rewritings of odd episodes in Italian bistory. It is Italian religious history for choice. Mrs. Fraser's readers know an in the wind. Samuel's disapproval was anticipated: referved after the manner of converts, adjusted on the converts of the manner of converts. ong with personal recollections and are prepared to find many of the sodes reading like lively paraphrases of the "Acta Sanctorum." The secuno more be reconciled to than the Popes themselves, and ceases not to the conduct of the godless the interest of some chapters for some Most readers, however, will share her opinion of the behavior of Napoleon in holding Plus VII. In cap-Napoleon in holding Pius VII. In captivity by way of coercing the papacy into becoming an appanage of the Napoleon empire. She tells the story well, with much detail that will be new to most readers. The original grievance of Napoleon against the Pope was that Pius VII. In ages was too great for excess of all upgivers, the expulsion of English residents from the papal States, and for the closing of the papal States, and for the closing of the ports of those State to English and their cargoes. These denecessarily refused to listen to, pointing mirable because women are all capaout that as head of the Church his ble. schemes with respect to Italy. But, as tence, writes (October, 1819): a Corsicansor an Italian, Napoleon must have foreseen, if he had taken time to think of it, the effect which the use of violence against the Supreme Pontiff would have upon all the Catholic world. The spiritual weapon of excommunication was still in the Pane's hands munication was still in the Pope's hands. Uphan sent it me, thinking of course it roam, and he employed it. Though claiming could not hurt an old woman; but I held And bring in pemp laborious nothings home that by using violence against the head my crutches fast, for its no fun to have and the high editorial estimation eviof the Church the Emperor had already excommunicated himself, his prisoner nevertheless drew up his buil of excom-Napoleon pretended to make light of the matter, but he had admit to himself that it was very serious. He even endeavored to evade "personal service" of the buil with anuch care as if he had been a delinquent debtor dodging legal process. But it was served all the same. Then years there went on a series of negotiations instituted by Napoleon with the view of relieving himself from a situation which became increasingly intolcrable. They were conducted by Napoleonic proposals were found unac-Once, in 1813, the Pope weakened to the extent of agreeing to renounce his temporal power if he were permitted to return to Rome, withdrawing the offer when his jailer insisted on keeping hold of him. His captivity lasted until the downfall of his captor, or the exact term of five years, during which the captor, become in his turn a captive, explated it at St. Helena, where he himself acknowledged that the imprisonment of the Pope was a terrible mistake and the beginning of his end.

First Hand Piesziana.

always well told.

Say Piozzi, think Thrale. It was the brewer's wife, not the musician's, that became a bright star in Sam Johnson's rather promiseuously populous firma-ment; the Italian "second" alienated the object of the Great Bear's platonic affections. Perhaps he loved not Piozzi less but the comforts earned by the Old Anchor Brewery more, The £135,000 that it brought is as numerically immortal in memory as 1492, "twas then columbus started, from Palos on the coast of Spain to the westward he departed," every schoolboy's mnemonic stronghold. The publishers (John Lane mpany) of The Intimate Letters of Bester Piozzi and Penelope Penning-

ton, 1788-1821, edited by Oswali G. only hope of saving her life. It was the KNAPP, expect the book to arouse "immense interest among the large number of persons whom the Johnson cult attracts to anything concerning Mrs. We could die reading pub-Piozzi." lishers' paragraphs on the temporary paper shells that protect the literature of the moment until it (or the buyer) is safely sold. And we should love to spend our few remaining years, eheu, inditing commercial adornments for these integumentary investments; could earn our oats at it. So as they give delight in the reading, in the writ ing they can be no less than pure The idea of selling Plozzi to Thraleans! But eliminate Ursus Major. and the Plozzi makes its own way And Penelope Pennington enably the name is a bill poster's

dream of delight. Bozzy-Piczzi, in 1786, was fun. Town Eclogue," Peter Pindar subtitled it. Soome Jenyns epitaphed:

Boswell and Thrale, retailers of his wit Will tell you how he wrote, and talk'd, and

cough'd, and spit. Whatever the literary merits of Mrs. Thrale-Piozzi's "Anecdotes" and "Letters" of Dr. Samuel, they were enough to make the old warhorse of an idolatrous biographer sniff battle. Heste: One of the reminiscences is of the pur- was but 24, and only two years married to the Southwark artist in malt, when "my dear brother Marion." It seems she shone for the eccentric doctor; 43 when she began making close harmony to see a really solitary spot with- with Gabriel, a rather gouty angel Marion How does the Juvenal was coasting Calabria in the felucca century London figure in this book? It was his friendship that more perhaps than any original charms of the hosts ! ranean cruising, and came upon an helped make the Thrale home in Streat-Angevin castle with walls of enormous ham Park a meeting place for such celebrities as Arthur Murphy (his introducer to the household), bank clerk, actor, barrister, commissioner in bankrooms, he came to covet it, and one day | ruptcy, author and wit (Garrick's blographer): Reynolds, the Burneys. tence of eggs returned the owner of Sewards and so on. Frequently he is

This course [disposal of the brewery and man, who had accompanied him and rental of the Streatham estate, settlement Bath! had the advantage, in her eyes centric habits and domineering temper had for many years been somewhat of a trial to her, though delight in his conversation. But it was not my fault; there was admiration for his talents and regard for no holding the Signore, and those asbear with him with patience.

(Pair it with Boswell: "The death of share his enthusiasm for "a grim dun- Mr. Thrale had made a very material alteration with respect to Johnson's gratified by having the Colossus of Literature attached to her for many

was opposition by the daughters of the Piozzi laments the lack of society and ness crisis it was Hester's "prompti- novels, where terror (as in the Con-

"Piozziana, by a Friend," the Rev. possessions must be equally hospitable to the faithful of all countries. Na-

> them kicked out from under one at four score-and the Scriptures are my crutches If these gay fellows delight in obliterating he direction posts for Youth in the journey through life, they some of them may get into the road again; but my religion is my freehold estate, and whoever

ries to shake my title to it is an enemy. Of Byron she wrote in her "commonplace book": "My own idea is that he resembles the Dead Man's skull animated by a Toad, and made to hop in such a manner that it attracted notice from the Lord Chief Justice, enabling

him to detect a murder." If the name of Byron is to-day more known than that of Piozzi let it be gracefully acknowledged that this is the service rendered by the dilettante to record for posterity commonplace experiences and contemporary personal criticism of the great that else would never have been written down to act as correctives of extravagant tendencies to hero worship. Place pens in the hands of valets and the streams of biography flow full. If Mrs. Piozzi's "British Synonymy" is in limbo and her "Retro spection" of eighteen centuries is deader than the centuries reviewed, and if her only still cherished writings owe their extended lease of life to their John There are many other unfamiliar hissenian topic, recognition of her persontorical tales told in these volumes, and ality as one of the minor forces tangential and in a degree however humble contributory to one great force of its

day must not be grudged. That second marriage made a great to do. The ladies' friends and particularly her daughters were horrifled at the sug-gestion of alliance with a foreigner, a Papist and singer, "a combination which to the average Englishman of the eighteenth century meant an untrustworthy and contemptible mountebank." 'There was circumstantial irony in the reciprocal objections of the Italian family, scandalized at his proposed marriage to a heretic and unable quite to "see" a brewer's widow. After much opposition Mrs. Thrale yielded, dismissed her suitor and went abr ad; but it was a true love whose course ran so far from smooth, and her health became so bad that her

doctor advised the recall of Piozz' as the

opposition's turn to surrender, and the wedding occurred July 25, 1784, at Bath. Miss Thrale, contrary to Hayward's account, is here said to have shut herself up in the Brighton house and sought surcease of sorrow in the study brew and mathematics: sweet solace!

Another estrangement that grew out of these inauspicious nuptials was with Fanny Burney. It was Miss Burney who in 1780 first commended Signor Gabriel to the consideration of the brewer's lady. But Fanny, Mme, d'Arblay, is said to have been exaggeratedly sensitive, and to have resented an alleged patronizing pose in Mrs. Piozzi. In August, 1793, Mrs. Piozzi writes: We hear that Miss Burney has Tragedy acted-accepted I mean-and to be acted by Sheridan's Company, who are all delighted with it. We hear too that she is married to a foreigner of was dead at Bath, but he contradicts the report himself in the Newspapers." The tragedy, "Edwy and Elgiva," was not acted until 1795, when it had the valuable help of Mrs. Siddons. In De-cember of 1793 the correspondent asks: like you Madame d'Arblay's Book? Pray tell what is said of it. Mine is in good forwardness. I am only afraid the title may prove a milistone round its neck; no one will think of titled British Synonymy. emigrant clergy; the "Synonymy" is ; long ago sunk as deep in the silent gulf of oblivion as though a dozen millstones had weighted it. (Her Johnson anecdotes brought her £300; the first edition was sold out in three days, and four ford, was a chip of the old block. was the casus belli that lost her Bozzy's his grandfather or great-grandfather, warm esteem. Mune, d'Arblay's novel, Thomas, Governor of Madras, and a warm esteem. Mme. d'Arblay's novel, "Camilla," 1796, had 1,100 subscribers at a guinea apiece, and sold besides 3,500 got £500 for "Mysteries of Udolpho.") In 1796 Mrs. Piozzi says:

I fancy Madame d'Arblay lives She talks of demanding and ac cording in a way English people never talk; and of descending to breakfast, and says one sister nided another to rise or lye down (the century style of spell as you please), as English people never do. We say ask and grant and help, and go down stairs, you know; the other words are French.

The shifting friendships and petty played with zest, and in her "commonto-day. My perfect forgiveness of the son of laimable Traitresse was not the act of the Great

attention at the hands of this literary

belongs somewhere between the earlier adulation and reprehension, in neither somewhere between Gifford's:

See Thrale's grey widow with a satchel dent in the paragraphs explanatory of references in the letters, and of contemporary events, which furnish a medium for the letters to swim in.

Quite aside from any literary bearing, the letters reveal a woman marked by many of the best qualities of her sex and made the more womanly by a fair share of its mild follies and follies; if to the British wont of his generation, nothing more in letters than a lucky an Etonian and an Oxonian, although and gifted gossip, assuredly a good wife, mother and friend.

But it is not a Johnson book, except in so far as Thraliana become Piozziana can be so described.

Lord Chatham. Experienced readers will "rejoice with rembling" upon encountering The Life of William Pitt, Earl of Chatham, by BASIL WILLIAMS (Longmans). On the one hand, they have to admit that they were in need of a more explicit and detailed life of one of the most shining figures in the history of England. On the other hand, they will be touched with diffidence as to whether Mr. Basil Williams, of whom presumably they have never heard before, his name not ven appearing in the British "Who's truth, the biography of the elder Pitt tions" of the elder Pitt, published three n the life of so great a man. He himself based his book upon some newly manuscripts bearing upon his immediate subject. He managed to show more vividly than it had been shown before, that the Pitts were a very question, with flashes of "great wits" which are "to madness near allied." From old ceptible good whatever in his subset world was renamed Pittsburg after him the contrary. His travels while he was instead of Fort Duquesne. But it is not the contrary of seems that "Chatham Square" is not before, that the Pitts were a very queer afterward the great Earl, there was

utable, and her the Great Commoner was the flower young man. of the flock, for in him the great wit

had interesting results. Possibly he when Pitt came into politics than when tire tribe. At any rate he was very of Great Britain and the dread that eccentric. It is always a pleasure to the Stuarts would Romanize the king-quote Charies Reade, but seldom more dom, as one of them had already tried so than in his express "character" of to do, were the main supports of the race or of mere larguage that accounts Lord Camelford. "In his twenty-nine throne, They were the real supports for diverse results from common prem-years—which is only nine years of of the Act of Settlement, the actual ises in the books of the nations? An manhood-he assassinated an unresist-beneficiaries of which never had any ing man and set off to favade a great real British feeling behind them, at ing of the "religious orientation" of his nation single handed: wrenched off many London door knock- "Farmer George," who in his first or solemn, poky, pedantic; but al. Part Lat. L., wrenched off many constables; fought a speech from the throne was made to Sabatus in France To-day, translated English lers, beat many constables; fought a speech from the throne was made to Sabatus in France To-day, translated English lers, beat many constables; fought a speech from the throne was made to Sabatus in France To-day, translated English mob single handed with a bludgeon boast that he was "born a Briton." On by Henry Bryan Binns (Dutton), is managing editor of the Funkt and was cudgelled and rolled in the the contrary George II was familied, wise, with "readable," eloquent and "New Standard Dictionary. and was cudgelled and rolled in gutter without uttering a howl; mauled German, and his nominal British sovera gentleman without provocation and eignty was exercised in the interest of cally solemn, profoundly and drearily cessities of many and administered was thus nearly intolerable to sensitive this patriotism is candescent and calblack eyes to many. He was studious and reckless, scientific and hare braned; foreign policy of Grest Brita'n and a of dated and governmentally sealed tender hearted, benevolent and barbar-great part of her domestic policy also "documents"; man is his document. He looking for Politics in a volume en- tender hearted, benevolent and barbarous: unreasonably vindictive and sinbook was a pamphlet on the French gularly forgiving; he lived a humorous ruffian with flashes of virtue, and died a hero, a martyr and a Christian. Readers will suspect this string of antitheses of exaggeration, but really Reade makes them out. Evidently Thomas Pitt, Lord Camel-

true kinsman of William. Old Thomas, the Governor, seems to have had nearly copies in three months. Mrs. Itadcliffe as many contradictions in his character as his descendant Thomas, and even more than his descendant William, of whom the present biographer shows that he used, as a child, to sit at the feet of the frascible proconsul. Curious that the old man who had so much editor has wisely retained the quaint eighteenth | remembered only as the possessor, after some sharp bargaining, of the "Pitt diamond." the second stone in Europe for size before the opening of the South African mines, the Orloff being the first and the Koh-i-noor the third. Pitt got ennities of those days were a game it for less than \$200,000 and sold it to stupid and openly immoral man whom reception in that family. The manly authority of the husband no longer curbed the lively exuberance of the lady; and as her vanity had been fully passed two or three hours with me the Regent of France, whence its other the son of the Governor and father of Commoner, named Thomas after his father, seems to have been a man Reichkunzlership than the pres years, she gradually became less as| years, she gradually became less as| siduous to please him.")

I A portrait, a living, breathing reproduction, of the Doctor and the mental
| dueton, of the Doctor and the mental
| dueton, of the friends. Besides, the sec| secondary through so many years, Mrs. | distributions of the friends. Besides, the sec| secondary through so many years, Mrs. | distributions to have been a mere nonentity, trembling in the shadow of his father, and capable of trembling it will be seen what a job Sir Robert equally under the destructive wrath of his son. It is equally curious how the beginning an Englishman, of the most was opposition by the daughters of the bride; reconciled later, their coldness reproaches herself for forgetting to brindly frigoriferous. So this is not a Johnson book; it is Plozzi ali. Signora Plozzi, here self-revealed, will saleker with you at the traditional idea of the good Doctor's assistance in his business affairs; a guardian crying to be proceed to the world without rambling part of the world without rambling the Doctor's assistance in his business affairs; a guardian crying to be process. was supposed to be one of its most for-midable debaters, clean out of it and ness affairs: a guardian crying to be mess affairs: a guardian crying to be guarded. When Thrale faced a business crisis it was Hester's "promptinovels, where terror tas in the Conjum no victories are reported but those tude in raising £20,000 from relatives vention) becomes the order of the day, of Parliamentry reasoning, and, as Lord

the papal States, and for the closing of affection, it was he more than she permint. Water is to good French ships and their cargoes. These detailed that owed respect in the partnership. A capable woman, none the less additionally and even the control of the co work does little to meet the long felt want he points out. He says that There are fish worth catching even Macaulay's two articles are the staple in the back waters of literature. Mrs. of what the average reader knows or poleon's resentment at first, in 1807. "Letters and Literary Remains," 1861. Thrale-Plozzi attracts and to some extense to know about Chatham, and attook the form of converting the papal by A. Hayward; Seeley's Life, 1891, and tent rewards the curious. There never tributes the circumstance, no doubt States of Benevento and Pontecorvo into
French duchies for Taileyrand and
Bernadotte, who took their titles from Bernadotte, who took their titles from the references in the reperties of the reperties of the reperties of the reperties of the reperting the respectively. In 1809 he went the findly sown writings, Mrs. Flozzi's est; when diaries or correspondence tribing the reperting twice Arnold gaid little attention, are which Arnold gaid little attention, are the reperting to the reperting the repertin year, he ordered the arrest of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, these present letters may have been the correspondence of the ent correspondence, frank, Intimate, the correspondence of the ent co verbose, possibly conceited and even biography of two volumes and 800 pages to one of those fits of rage which occasionally came upon Napoleon and overwhelmed all considerations of polthe Pope, under the duress of confinement, to acquiesce in the Napoleonic schemes with respect to Settle Into the dregs of mere exis-"edition" of a classic, bringing to bear and the later Boswellian epochs of upon its text all that erudition can quence of the speech. "Sir, the atrosupply. Perhaps it follows that Mr. of which did Bozzy measure off his Basil Williams is not a "genius," But emotions on the yardstick of reason; an intelligent and industrious investigator he evidently is, who has betaken himself to the original sources whereever the secondary sources of things already in print left any scope for primary research. How could be have of, is that the echoes and reverberafailed to produce something valuable? tions of Pitt's elequence "beyond the He has not failed.

> satisfactorily, and which Mr. Williams whose reign he was to render illus-does not succeed in so answering. He trious. The haughty self-consciousness of satisfactorily, and which Mr. Williams was quite regularly educated, according this one saying is highly characteristics selfish good, to the British wont of his generation, tie: "Sir, I know that I can save this resting place?" Macaulay takes pleasure in pointing out it." that, in his character of Etonian, Pitt made one of the false quantities which in the Eton of that day if not of this are one or more of the seven deadly sins. He "made the first syllable in 'labenti' short." Considering that his family, though "wealthy and respectawas so much reduced when he was graduated that his livelihood was a mat ter of concern to it, it is not at all out mission, by insisting upon the princi- won great part his enormous success. Prince or four years ago, dwells upon the Ferdinand of Brunswick, one of his to Jules Favre. But, when the queupon the consequent panelty of detail factors in the victories which were to spoils he was out of power. discovered or at least newly exploited ing height in the "annus mirabilis" of it before. 1759 than she had attained before or an explanation of the successes. But the stamp act that the chief monu-in fact Pitt's cornetcy did him no per-ment of his successes in the western

coming publicly scandalous. Doubtless in the hope of defeating the formidable named year. The head and right

and the madness were hore.

Ilbrium than in any of the rest.

A second cousin of his was the Lord

Camelford about whom Charles Reade was to say, "This Hanoverian family is some local antiquary can trace it furthe most eccentric of the en- Johnson said it. The Protestant feeling The "Religious Orientation" least until the days of George III., great part of her domestic policy also were subjected to the comparatively petty and at all events alien interests of the electorate of Hanover. Add that the Prince of Wales of the period was that Prince Fred, father of the George III. that was to be, of whom upon his

decease a wag wrote: Here lies Prince Fred Who was allve and is dead Had it been his father. We had much rather But since 'tis only Prince Free

That is not the whole state of the case. What Prince Fred's politics were except that he was "agin the government" of his father does not very clearly appear. But that he was an object of acute hatred and loathing to all the rest of the royal family is a fact which, without giving his the explanation of it. Lord Rosebery brings out very sharply in the book already referred to. George II. was a ut on the favor of the sovereign, being much more like the present Gerbeginning an Englishman, of the mos patriotic kind, devoted exclusively, as Macaulay insists, to the interests the British Islands, and consequently upon the small and foreign interest Thus having and cherish member of the House of Commons, he was a man to be reckoned with, who could not be reckoned with acexpressed in his famous phrase, "All these men have their price," and that say upon this theme, though his own that of Carteret. Almost immediately Pitt began to be recognized as a tribune of the people not at all because he conciliated them by flattery and demconciliated them by flattery and dem-agogic arts, but because he eloquently expressed the otherwise inarticulate haps more religious than any that pre-liance in the religious than any that pre-It is a pity that we have no adequate reports of Pitt's or even of Chat-ham's eloquence. Mr. Williams collects the reports of his speeches from all phrase, that it is the words of Pitt, or Chatham, that you are reading, you cannot always understand the

> tribute of Cowper: o fill the ambition of a private man

That Chathain's language was his mother For example, Mr. Williams confidently quotes as Pitt's own the eloious crime of being a young man"which is so clearly Sam Johnson's "I wrote that speech in a garret in Exeter street," though to be sure Johnson's share in the transaction is reerred to in a note. What we can be ure of, and all that we can be sure walls" brought him to be recognized How William Pitt (1708-1778) came as the real ruler of England and force to drift into politics is a question which bim, past the groups of intriguing nobody has succeeded in answering politicians, upon the hostile sovereign

country and that no one else can save it."

Back to the war of '70 must go the probe: in the effects of those bitter days on the national consciousness of the actual growth of the last two decades of noon into the Mercantile La country and that no one else can save administration in charge of its cessor, albeit it is the theory of Eng ish parliamentary government of that day that this should be the case. It has never succeeded better, it has never succeeded so well, as in the case of Chatham. In what his biographer calls of the common that he should have been one amazing year he had so parative free thought and anti-clerical-fuzzy whiskers, crumply destined to the army and a commission liyzed the force of France by sea and tween free thought and anti-clerical-fuzzy whiskers, crumply destined to the army and a commission liyzed the force of France by sea and tween free thought and anti-clerical-fuzzy whiskers, crumply destined to the army and a commission liyzed the force of France by sea and lism, the discarded compass and pure stock. Out of a pink rates. Nobody of his generation, per-haps no single Englishman of any gen-might both have remained politically eration, has done so much to break up English if the counsels of Chatham's the system by which he obtained a com- old age had been followed. "We have America in Germany." ples of what is now known as "civil proud and just boast. It is shown here service reform," meaning appointment how far England was, in the estima-Who," is exactly the man to do it. In for probable merit, promotion for proved tion of the victor, from reaping the merit. No conspicuous Minister in Eng- full fruit of her victories in the treaty is, as we have suggested, not thus far lish history, before or since, has so of 1762. Had Chatham had his way explicit, but implicit, in the history of strenuously insisted on the right man there would have been, for example of 1762. Had Chatham had his way England. Lord Rosebery, in his vol- in the right place, without regard to no fisheries question in Newfoundland ume on the "Early Life and Connec- any kind of red tape. Hence in very a hundred years later. His attitude to Choiseul was much that of Bismarck scantiness of authentic material and fortunate selections and one of the chief tion became that of garnering the raise England under the Prime Minis- is worth reading in Mr. Williams's try of Pitt to a greater and more shin- pages or of rereading, if one has read

There is some curious local informahas attained since, wrote to him, flatter- tion in an appendix. It was long be ingly, that "you also have served" as fore Chatham took his stand against much subsequent advantage to him, had the only monument of the gratitude always something queer about them it been only from the unusual profi-william's favorite sister. Ann. was as ciency in French which they enabled the stamp act. It was, according to

queer as any, according to Lord Rose- him to acquire. It was in 1734 that the inscription on its base, "for the bery's investigations, while his other he came into Parliament under auspices many eminent services he rendered to sister, Elizabeth, was downright disrep- which already marked him out to Sir America, particularly in promoting the brother, in providing Robert Walpole as a dangerous person, repeal of the stamp act, A. D. 1770," for her support, had to look out and and induced that Minister to interfere that the Assembly of New York erected take order against her aberrations be-vainly with the course of the election a statue of him in Wall street in the of the statue were cut off by British It is very difficult for the modern soldiers in 1775. In 1863 it is said that and the madness were more in equi- reader to reconstruct for himself the the headless trunk of the statue was

France.

Is it the genius of individuals. English or American clergyman writland would be either cheap, artificial who in his first or solemu, poky, pedantic; but M. Paul Litt, D., Li. D., on "Dictional the contrary, George II. was frankly a Wise, witty, "readable," eloquent and German, and his nominal British sover. thoroughly human. He is neither cleriand patriotic Englishmen. The whole orific; he can see history outside writes prose but thinks poetry. His words are at once warm and wise. Apparently "they do these things bet-ter" in France. If not, M. Paul is a 'sport" on the Gallie stem.

Of the Sabatier brothers, theologians both, commend us to Paul. Where editorial scrutiny six times—(1). Louis Auguste is technical-voluminous, (2), galley proof; (3), page proof Paul is broadlier human; which does plate proof: (5), revised plate not in the least militate against the (6), press sheet. Multiply 10.6 has the plate words by 6 and you get a grand ology is falsely made a barrier instead of 60,220,800 words. Reduce these of a bond between God and man. M. to their units—letters—computed by the state of 5.242 letters in the state of the three columns of the New of Paul Sabatier, born 1858, was educated of the three columns of the New faculty at Paris; in '85 was vicar of St. Nicolas, Strassburg; in '89, declin
2,952 pages of text in the book; ing an offer of advancement condi-tioned on his voluntary entrance into ngures or other German citizenship, was expelled—it work, which multiplied by 6 (t) was superabundance of moral, patriotic ber of times these letters passe was superabundance of moral, patriotic ber of times these letters passed health, not, as sometimes sald, deficiency in physical health, that wrote his ecclesiastic "finis" in Germany. Four years in a French pastorate, and then a toller in the fields of historical research; in 1893 his life of St. Francis of Assisi stimulated the study of mediaval documents in literature and reduced the standard distinction of times these letters passed supervision, yields a grand to the standard type in the standard position, and the standard distinction of times these letters passed supervision), yields a grand to the standard type in the standard position, which is standard distinction of times these letters passed supervision), yields a grand to supervision), yields a grand to the standard type in the standard distinction of times these letters passed supervision), yields a grand to supervision), yields a grand to the standard distinction of the standard dieval documents in literature and religion, especially Franciscan; and five more than two years 'playing' e

years gone he lectured in London on designed keyboards, each modernism. A human theologian.

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Now, this might be either a deep vanced, into a rationally deve laid plot or a perfectly sincere and just alignment on the side of the religious orientational forces of those who have no conscious blas in that direction. Heinrich Mutschmann, M. A. Clay At any rate, it is perfectly plain that P. D. (Floring), lecturer in German M. Sabatier is going to enlist, draft if necessary, on his side the saints, the devils and the just plain folks. In other words, he believes or at least asserts that the great moving factor n France to-day is a partly deliberate partly subconscious effort of the peo ple to establish themselves on a pedestal of common ground both level and free of undulatory motion. Is it not There are also included a list the fact that, whatever its varying viations, a table of phonetic s forms, the true State religion is that well as introductory and appear area of common faith where the creeds of theology, law, literature, business and everyday life overlap and the bal-ISAYS THACKERAY LOOK! last of the common good, resultant of innumerable uncalculated forces selfish good, finds its safe and solid

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